

Kindergarten Helps for Parents

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BABY'S INTELLIGENCE

By MRS. HARRIET MELLER.

It was to obtain important information one morning not long ago that I ventured to ask admittance to a beautiful rose-embowered cottage across the street from my new home.

A charming young mother met me at the door holding her baby on her arm. She endeavored to answer my question in a gracious and neighborly way, but was constantly interrupted by the child's cries.

While we stood there the infant was gently changed from one arm to the other, then put upon her shoulder. Later when we were seated within, she rested her upon her knee in the time-honored position supposed to give comfort to disturbed "tummies." All to no purpose. The little one fussed and fussed.

Quite naturally we fell to talking of babies. The young mother was thoroughly versed in modern lore; she knew rules, regulations, symptoms, remedies, foods and all the rest, and was enthusiastic about the modern science of bringing up infants.

"As far as I can see, there is nothing the matter with her," she said. "Possibly her teeth hurt her. She is young to have teeth, but sometimes you know—" and so on. The observation about the teeth was made in the same tone of voice, with a purely impersonal infection, which she would have used to say, "The machine is cutting the thread"—as if teeth were a contrivance to be adjusted by bolts and screws. Not once in my presence had she spoken to her baby.

Wanted to Be Noticed.

It was evident to me that her modern training, while essentially desirable, had largely destroyed the instinctive expression of the natural mother. To her, baby was primarily a mechanism, and if she did not know of any mechanical means of correcting an upset condition, she was quite at a loss what to do. Baby, for her part, it seemed to me, was persistently denying this classification. She was not only something, but somebody, and she wanted the fact recognized.

I thought at once of the way Froebel, the founder of the kindergarten, shows us upon the love and care the mother everywhere bestows upon her children. Include father-love wherever it is expressed in the lower animals. When at last the great question comes, the child will probably answer it himself: "Mamma, did I come from you?" "Yes, darling, you were once a part of mother. How mother loves her little son (daughter)!"

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My touch must have aroused her notice because she gave heed. I next slipped my forefingers into the palms of her hands and baby-fashion she gripped them. "How do you like to hold my fingers?" I asked. Very gently then I began to raise her into a sitting position and she smiled as she felt her hand leaving the pillow. When she could hold on no longer she fell back. Three times I did this, allowing her to fall back more quickly each time. Baby enjoyed the slight shock in falling, and in her little way increased in strength and in the consciousness of strength. She was now perfectly satisfied; her need for recognition and self-activity had been met.

Song for Baby.

The conversation at the 'phone still continued and while waiting I tried to recall the song to sing with this little game. In a few minutes, when baby was ready to play "Falling, Falling" again, I sang softly, lifting her this time by holding my hands at her back:

Down goes baby,
Mother's pet;
Up comes baby,
Laughing yet.
Baby well may laugh at harm,
While beneath is mother's arm.
Down goes baby,
Without fear;
Up comes baby,
Gaily here.
All is joy for baby while
In the light of mother's smile.

Upon her return the little mother expressed great admiration for my skill as a baby-charmer. "It was quite simple," I said and described what had happened. She was much interested and wanted to know more about Froebel's Mother Play.

A few days later when she came to call I had my old worn copy of the Mother Play ready to show her. It surprised her to learn that this book which is used so much by kindergarten teachers was written especially for mothers with children up to six years old, and she listened eagerly as I showed her the six or seven games which baby might play. My new acquaintance thanked me most appreciatively for the help I had given her and when she left she carried the little book away with her tucked under her arm.

QUESTION ABOUT BIRTH

By MARGARET WARNER MORLEY.

(Author of "Renewal of Life.")

Some day your child will ask where he came from, or where the new baby came from. In properly answering this natural question the mother has a

chance to impress forever upon the young mind a clean and wholesome knowledge of one of the most important facts of nature.

Let the mother strive for two things: to start the child with a beautiful and reverent feeling concerning the origin of life; to give this knowledge before the child can learn it in a harmful way outside the home.

It is well to anticipate the direct question by getting ready before the child is old enough to ask it. How to do this? Begin, perhaps, with seeds. Show the seed-pods of any plant. The seeds are the children of the plant. The plant gives them protection and feeds them with its juices. They are part of the plant. The plant is the mother of the seeds. When the seeds are ripe the pod opens and the seeds leave their mother to live their own separate lives.

Dwell upon the care the mother plant takes of her little seed-children, of the beautiful flower petals she wraps about the tiny pod. Speak often and reverently of motherhood. Make the little boy as well as the little girl understand and love the mother.

Lessons From Nature.

In the springtime show birds' nests if possible. If not, show pictures and talk about the building and how both parents engage in it. Then show or tell about the eggs. Explain how the eggs grew inside the mother-bird. They are a part of her just as the seeds are a part of the plant. When the eggs are ready the bird lays them in the pretty nest and sits on them to keep them warm. The father bird sings to her and feeds her. Both birds love the baby birds and as soon as they hatch out, father bird and mother bird feed them and care for them and teach them to fly. A hen sitting on her eggs can be used to teach the lesson. The egg grew in the hen. How wonderful it is that a little egg can change into a beautiful bird or a cunning little chicken!

As the child grows older lead him to notice that the seed grows into a plant just like the parent, that the egg becomes a bird like the parent. Tell the child how important it is for children to come from good parents. Speak of parents and children when talking of plants and birds; this will cause the child unconsciously to connect the ideas gained about plants and birds with human life.

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BABY TAKES JOY RIDE ON TRAIN

May Arnett Travels 280 Miles While Parents Search for Her.

Little Rock, Ark.—With a few pennies clutched in her baby hand, little May Arnett, three years old, enjoyed a 280-mile railroad journey from her home here to Booneville, Ark., while her frantic parents, aided by policemen and detectives, searched Little Rock to find a trace of the missing child.

Kidnaping, death under the wheels of a speeding motorcar, or drowning in the creek near the family home, were only a few of the calamities imagined by the little girl's parents.

And all this time she was sitting in a speeding day coach on a Rock Island railroad train, making friends with



Making Friends With the Passengers.

passengers, and yelling with joy at the strange vista of flying scenery passed before her delighted eyes.

Baby May left home early in the afternoon intending to buy candy. Five minutes later her parents were searching the house for her. Believing she had wandered uptown, several men went up and down the streets looking for her. The police were notified, but not until after Rock Island train No. 41 had gone west.

Anyway, the station was the last place the parents and police thought to look for the child. But late in the afternoon a telegram from Booneville, addressed to the chief of police, was received. It read: "Have on train No. 41, out of Little Rock, a three-year-old girl. Think she was deserted. Can't tell where she lives. Am sending her back to Little Rock on No. 44."

When No. 44 arrived at the station Mr. and Mrs. Arnett stood close to the iron gate and watched the detaining passengers. After watching some time their hopes almost faded away, and then they spied their baby in the arms of the conductor.

WOMAN ROUTS THIEF WITH A BROOMSTICK

St. Louis.—Mrs. William Bauer, armed with a broomstick, drove a burglar out of the home of her neighbor, Mrs. Annie Miller, while the latter was away. Mrs. Bauer, hearing a noise in the Miller home, investigated. When she made an attack with the broomstick the burglar bent a hasty retreat and escaped.

BABY RESCUED FROM WELL

Infant Is Taken Out Uninjured After Being Imprisoned Twelve Hours.

Burbank, Tex.—After remaining at the bottom of a 35-foot well, a foot in diameter, the eighteen-months-old son of George Kays of this place was rescued uninjured.

The child was playing and accidentally fell feet-first into the well. The mother heard the cries from the well. She obtained a garden hose and an old pair of bellows and pumped air into the well until the neighbors could arrive.

A large crowd soon gathered and the work of digging the child out was begun. A large hole was dug along the side of the well, and at ten o'clock that night it reached the baby. The child was brought to the surface and an examination showed that it had escaped injury.

STOLE MONEY TO BUY DOGS

Odd Pies Is Made by Teller for Embezzling Forty Thousand Dollars Bank Funds.

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TOO WEAK TO FIGHT

The "Come-back" man was really never down-and-out. His weakened condition because of overwork, lack of exercise, improper eating and living demands stimulation to satisfy the cry for a health-giving appetite and the refreshing sleep essential to strength. GOLD MEDAL Haarlem Oil Capsules, the National Remedy of Holland, will do the work. They are wonderful. Three of these capsules each day will put a man on his feet before he knows it; whether his trouble comes from uric acid poisoning, the kidneys, gravel or stone in the bladder, stomach derangement or other ailments that befall the over-zealous American. The best known, most reliable remedy for these troubles is GOLD MEDAL Haarlem Oil Capsules. This remedy has stood the test for more than 200 years since its discovery in the ancient laboratories in Holland. It acts directly and gives relief at once. Don't wait until you are entirely down-and-out, but take them today. Your druggist will gladly refund your money if they do not help you. Accept no substitutes. Look for the name GOLD MEDAL on every box, three sizes. They are the pure, original, imported Haarlem Oil Capsules.—Adv.

Monkey Business.
The Irate Circus Manager—Say, what's the matter with your act? Why can't it go on?

The Animal Trainer—But ze ape, sir, ze ape he again sprain ze arm looking at ze wrist watch ze clown geev heem.
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His Wife—Let me see. There's me and—two—three—four— Henry, you must have counted yourself.

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Alice—So Maude is divorced. I thought when she married in such haste that she would repent at leisure.
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Swift & Company, U. S. A.



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